

Submission of Terminal Disclaimer

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REJECTION OVER A PENDING SECOND APPLICATIONDocket Number (Optional)
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In re Application of: Ference et al.

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For: MULTI-CHIP STACK AND METHOD OF FABRICATION UTILIZING SELF-ALIGNING
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